

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 MEXICO 00969 312301Z

72-61
ACTION ARA-06

INFO OCT-01 SS-14 ISO-00 EB-03 SP-02 PM-03 INR-05 L-01

NSC-05 NSCE-00 SSO-00 INRE-00 PRS-01 CIAE-00 DODE-00

/041 W
----- 118594

O R 312218Z JAN 75 ZFF-4
FM AMEMBASSY MEXICO
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5998
INFO AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES
AMEMBASSY BRASILIA

CONFIDENTIAL MEXICO 969

LIMDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR
SUBJECT: POSTPONEMENT OF BAB-MFM

REF: STATE 21494

FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY FROM JOVA

1. FOREIGN SECRETARY RABASA WAS OUT OF TOWN
JANUARY 30, SO I SENT UNDERSECRETARY GALLASTEGUI A
NOTE TRANSMITTING THE TWO STATEMENTS MENTIONED IN
REFTEL AND I TALKED WITH RABASA UPON HIS RETURN TO
MEXICO CITY. RABASA CONSIDERS THAT ALL CONCERNED
CAME OUT OF THE POSTPONEMENT INCIDENT FAIRLY WELL,
UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, AND THAT THERE WAS NO
VIABLE ALTERNATIVE. HE MENTIONED THAT VIGNES HAD
BEEN IN TOUCH WITH HIM BEFORE ANNOUNCING THE
POSTPONEMENT. RABASA THINKS THE NEXT STEP IS TO MOVE
AHEAD THROUGH QUIET CONSULTATION TOWARD CHANGING THE VOTING
REQUIREMENT UNDER THE RIO TREATY TO ALLOW "FREEDOM OF
ACTION" VIS-A-VIS CUBA. HE HAD NO SPECIFIC PROCEDURAL
SUGGESTIONS BUT WE AGREED TO DISCUSS THE MATTER FURTHER
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 MEXICO 00969 312301Z

IN THE WEEKS AHEAD. I SUGGESTED HE STUDY JURIDICAL ASPECTS

OF THE ISSUE (I.E. RATIFICATION).

2. NEITHER RABASA NOR ECHEVERRIA (NOR, INDEED, OTHER HIGH GOM OFFICIALS) HAVE COMMENTED PUBLICLY ON THE POSTPONEMENT OF THE MFM. THE MEXICAN POSITION ON CUBA SOMEWHAT DIVERTED LOCAL ATTENTION FROM OTHER ASPECTS OF THE CANCELLED MEETING AND THE GOM ISBN PERHAPS, IN SOME DOUBT AS TO WHAT COULD OR SHOULD BE USEFULLY SAID.

3. SIMILARLY, PRESS REACTION HAS BEEN RELATIVELY INSIGNIFICANT. INFLUENTIAL EXCELSIOR HAD BEEN URGING THAT MEXICO NOT ATTEND THE MFM FOR SOME DAYS BEFORE THE POSTPONEMENT WAS ANNOUNCED. OBVIOUSLY, EXCELSIOR AND THE NATIONALIST-LEFT SECTOR IS GRATIFIED.

4. COMMENT: IT IS AN ILL WIND THAT BLOWS NO GOOD--AT LEAST THE NOISE OVER THE TRADE ACT HAS PUT THE MATTER OF OUR ADVERSE VOTE ON CERDS ON THE BACK BURNER FOR THE MOMENT. JOVA

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: TRADE LAW, DIPLOMATIC DISCUSSIONS, FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETINGS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 31 JAN 1975
Decaption Date: 28 MAY 2004
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: GolinoFR
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975MEXICO00969
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750037-0247
From: MEXICO
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t1975013/aaaaacak.tel
Line Count: 81
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION ARA
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: LIMDIS
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: LIMDIS
Reference: 75 STATE 21494
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: GolinoFR
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 03 SEP 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <03 SEP 2003 by CunninFX>; APPROVED <04 SEP 2003 by GolinoFR>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
05 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: POSTPONEMENT OF BAB-MFM
TAGS: PFOR, ETRD, US, CU, MX, XM, OAS, (RABASA MISHKIN, EMILIO)
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006